GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Promotion of Sports
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of an urgent need to give importance to other sports and games along with cricket;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government is taking any steps to encourage all such games and sports including Kabbadi and Badminton on the lines of Cricket in the country; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR
YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) to (d) Madam, the Government is well aware of the need to promote and develop various sports disciplines in the country. 'Sports' is a State subject and the primary responsibility of development of Sports rests with the States and the concerned National Sports Federations (NSFs). NSFs are responsible and accountable for the overall management, direction, control, regulation, promotion and development of respective sports disciplines. However, the Government supplements the efforts of recognized NSFs, including those for the sports discipline of Kabaddi and Badminton, by providing financial assistance for training and participation of sportspersons/teams in international tournaments abroad, holding of
national and international tournaments in India, assistance for purchase of equipment, training of national teams/sportspersons under Indian and foreign coaches with requisite technical & scientific back up. A list of sports disciplines recognized by the Government and financial assistance provided to them under the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, is given in annexure.
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